

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Prior to the present communication, claims 1-11, 13-22, 25-27 and 29-31 were pending in the subject application. Each of claims 1, 2, 7, 10, 13, 25 and 29 has been amended herein and claims 9, 20, 21, 26, 27 and 30 have been cancelled. As such, claims 1-8, 10, 11, 13-19, 22, 25, 29 and 31 remain pending. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A system having a processor and one or more computer-readable storage media having computer-usable instructions embodied thereon that, when executed, perform a method for facilitating interaction between a first participating device and the first participating device's ~~a device~~ immediate environment, the system comprising:

a detection module associated with the first participating device for automatically detecting proximity of a second participating device ~~participant~~ within the first participating device's ~~device~~ immediate environment and utilizing such proximity detection to generate a dynamically updated list of detected nearby devices within the first participating device's immediate environment, wherein proximity of the second participating device ~~a participant~~ within the first participating device's ~~device~~ immediate environment is close in physical space, and wherein the list of detected nearby devices includes a record of participating devices detected by the detection module to be close in physical space and their respective locations; and

~~a dynamically updated list of detected nearby devices within the device immediate environment for each device, wherein the list of detected nearby~~

~~devices maintains a record of devices detected by the detection module to be close in physical space and their locations; and~~

a user-configurable authorization module for authorizing the first participating device to adjust a ~~device~~ user interface associated therewith in a pre-determined manner in response to the detection of the second participating device, wherein the user-configurable authorization module comprises an arbitration module for resolving disputes between devices having an identical authorization status participant.

2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the user-configurable authorization module identifies ~~the~~ one of the first participating device and the second participating device as ~~one of~~ a controlling device and the other as ~~or~~ a controlled device.

3. (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein the controlling device comprises shared resources for sharing with the controlled device.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the detection module detects one of an active participant and a passive participant.

5. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 4, wherein the detection module detects the passive participant and the device user interface adjusted is a detecting device user interface.

6. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 4, wherein the detection module detects the active participant and the user-configurable authorization module authorizes adjustment of the device user interface of a detected active participant.

7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the user-configurable authorization module includes an authorization status to control the second participating another device.

8. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the user-configurable authorization module includes an authorization status to be controlled by another device.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 2 ~~4-2~~, further comprising a command and control translation module for receiving instructions from a user regarding actions to be taken by the controlling device.

11. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 10, further comprising a UI element manager for taking directions from the command and control translation module.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Currently Amended) A method being performed by a processor and a memory for facilitating interaction between a device and a device immediate environment, the method comprising:

detecting, via a first computing process, a participant present within the device immediate environment; **and**

maintaining, via a second computing process, a dynamically updated list of detected nearby devices within the device immediate environment for each

device, wherein the list of detected nearby devices maintains a record of devices detected to be close in physical space and their locations; and

adjusting, via a third computing process, a device user interface based on user-configured rules set forth in a device authorization module in response to the detection of the participant, wherein the device authorization module provides an authorization status as one of controlled or controlling and resolves disputes between devices having an identical authorization status,

and wherein each of the first, second and third computing processes is performed by the device.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further comprising identifying a device as one of a controlling device a controlled device using the authorization module.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising sharing resources from the controlling device with the controlled device.

16. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising detecting one of an active participant and a passive participant.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, further comprising detecting a passive participant and authorizing a detecting device to adjust the device user interface of the detecting device.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein the passive participant has an RFID tag and the detecting device launches an application in response to the detection of the RFID tag.

19. (Original) The method of claim 17, further comprising detecting an active participant, and authorizing adjustment of the active participant user interface.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, further comprising receiving instructions from a user regarding actions to be taken by the controlling device.

23-24. (Cancelled).

25. (Currently Amended) A system having a processor and one or more computer-readable storage media having computer-usable instructions embodied thereon that, when executed, perform a method for sharing resources among multiple participating devices, wherein each of the multiple participating devices has a device specific set of application resources, the system comprising:

a detection module associated with the first participating device for detecting proximity of the a first participating device to a second participating device, wherein proximity of a the first participating participant device to the a second participating device is close in physical space; ~~and~~

a dynamically updated nearby device list of detected devices within the first participating device's ~~an~~ immediate environment for maintaining a record of

participating devices detected to be close in physical space and their locations;
and

a configurable resource regulation mechanism for making the device specific application resources from the second participating device available to the first participating device, wherein the configurable resource regulation mechanism comprises a user-configurable authorization module for providing each participating device with an authorization status as one of a controlled device and a controlling device and an arbitration mechanism for resolving disputes between devices having an identical authorization status.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Cancelled).

29. (Currently Amended) A method being performed by a processor and a memory for facilitating resource sharing between multiple devices, the method comprising:

allowing, via a first computing process, a user to configure regulation of shared resources between multiple participating devices; and

maintaining, via a second computing process, a list of detected participating devices based on proximity within an immediate environment to a first participating device, wherein proximity within an immediate environment is detected to be close in physical space, and wherein the list of detected

participating devices maintains a record of devices detected to be close in physical space and their locations; and

enabling, via a third computing process regulation of device resources based on proximity of a first participating device to a second participating device, wherein regulation includes making device specific application resources of the first participating device available to the second participating device based on an authorization status identifying each device as one of a controlling device and a controlled device using an authorization module and resolving disputes between devices having an identical authorization status, and wherein each of the first, second and third computing processes is performed by one or more of the multiple devices.

30. (Cancelled)

31. (Original) The method of claim 30, further comprising sharing resources from the controlling device with the controlled device.